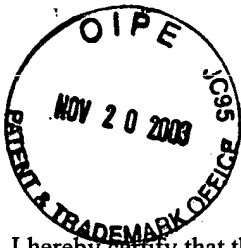


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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is an amendment in the above patent application in response to the Office Action of July 1, 2003.

X Applicants request an extension of time for 2 months from October 1, 2003 to December 1, 2003. Enclosed is a check to cover the \$210 fee.

 No additional fee is required.

X Also enclosed: Declaration of Kenneth Barovsky, Terminal Disclaimer and Cover page of PCT Publication WO/0068692 and a Return Postcard.

No. of Claims After Amendment			Most Claims Previously Paid		Extra Claims		Additional Fee		
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 which may be required by this paper, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 18-1648.

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